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SUBJECT: URGENT NEED FOR VIDEO CONFERENCING EQUIPMENT FOR  
UPCOMING WAR CRIMES TRIALS

REF: FRIEDMAN-HARSHORN-MITCHELL E-MAILS OF 5/26

1.(U) ACTION REQUEST\*SEE PARAGRAPH 3.

2.(U) ON JUNE 4, WE MET WITH LJILJANA VODOPIJA CENGIC,  
ASSISTANT MINISTER OF JUSTICE, AND ZLATKO LUKENDA, HEAD OF  
THE MINISTRY,S IT SECTION, TO DISCUSS THE MINISTRY,S URGENT  
VIDEO CONFERENCING NEEDS TO SUPPORT CROATIA,S COOPERATION  
WITH SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO FOR THE OVCARA WAR CRIMES TRIAL.  
THEY PRESENTED TO US A LIST OF SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT AGREED BY  
ICTY EXPERTS. THE EQUIPMENT IS OFF-THE-SHELF (SONY BRAND),  
COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE FROM LOCAL VENDORS, AND IS SIMILAR TO  
EQUIPMENT GIVEN TO THE BELGRADE COUNTY COURT. TOTAL COST IS  
APPROXIMATELY \$41,500 FOR PURCHASE, INSTALLATION, AND  
TRAINING ON A SECURE DVC SYSTEM APPROPRIATE FOR COURTROOM USE  
(AND COMPATIBLE WITH THE BELGRADE SYSTEM). THE EQUIPMENT  
WILL BE NEEDED BY THE END OF JUNE IN ORDER TO SUPPORT  
VICTIM/WITNESS TESTIMONY FOR THE OVCARA TRIAL IN SERBIA AND  
MONTENEGRO.

3. (U) ACTION REQUEST: TO SECURE TELEPHONE LINKS AND  
EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION TO SUPPORT THE OVCARA TRIAL, THE GOC  
NEEDS TO COMMIT TO AN EQUIPMENT ORDER BY JUNE 14.  
POST REQUESTS URGENT ACTION TO DRAW DOWN WAR CRIMES FUNDING  
FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

DVC SYSTEM	\$8,000
ISDN EQUIPMENT	\$2,400
298 TV	\$1,400
ISDN MCU SOFTWARE	\$3,500
ADDITIONAL CAMERA	\$1,100
VOICE AND FACE ENCRYPTION DEVICE	\$7,200
SIGNAL ENCRYPTION	\$15,000
ADDITIONAL MICROPHONES AND EQUIPMENT	\$970
INSTALLATION AND TRAINING	\$2,000

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TOTAL \$41,500

NOTE: DVC CAN BE SUPPORTED WITHOUT SIGNAL ENCRYPTION BUT WE  
WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THIS NOW, RATHER THAN LATER, WHICH  
WOULD INCUR ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION COSTS.

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